Are you kidding me? Silicon Valley would not be where it is now without net neutrality. This isn't just about convenience or who gets to pick what traffic blah blah Net neutrality is a key component to our current economical systems.

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-Daniel Cho, Emeryville, CA

This is a violation of freedom of speech and press. Please don't allow these companies to monopolize the internet.

-Ian Silver, cincinnati, OH

Putting a pay gate on the internet will also put a stranglehold on new businesses, technology, and ideas. It is high on the list of the worst courses of action that could be taken involving technology.

-Michael Sloan, Emmaus, PA

I am a 29 year old woman with a full time job and due to my student loan debt, I can afford to do very little. My peers go out and enjoy happy hours, shopping trips, and cruises, while all I can barely afford to eat. My debt is going down, and maybe will be paid off in my lifetime, but probably not soon enough for me to even afford to start a family. All I have in the internet, it is almost literally the only thing keeping me sane. Net Neutrality is important to me because it's all I have, most of the time.

-Heather Steele, Portland, OR

Can you see me? Maybe not, but at least there's an equal chance.

-Trey, Decatur, IN

I support Net Neutrality because it is vital for innovation and to prevent the stagnation of the internet as whole.

-Travis Bowen, Sacramento, CA

Net neutrality allows me to do whatever I want with no one telling what I can and can't do on the internet.

-Brandon Carda, Aberdeen, SD

I really enjoy the current landscape of the internet and I don't want it to change like I would were the current net neutrality policies to change. Things are great now, please keep them that way.

-Tom Tillou, Baton Rouge, LA

Information must be available to all people. Truth and freedom from propaganda must be available. It is not available anywhere else except the internet. Television and radio and print only tell the public what the corporations want them to know, there must be a place for the everyone's voice to be heard. It is one of the basic tenets that America was founded on.

—Daniel Kirk, Rockford, IL

Because this country is about freedom and we are very quickly going away from that.

-Clara, astoria, NY

The internet as an open forum is important to me (and many others) because it allows for equal success of small sites as large ones when they both reach the same audiences. Allowing ISP's to regulate the internet and choose which sites get faster speeds or to act as gatekeepers for what we get to see on the internet would ruin this.

-Emily Hildreth, Arvada, CO

The Internet is one of the few places where human voices speak louder than money.

-Katherine, fort wayne, IN

As a musician, I'm terrified of the ability of big business to control the distribution of resources. If paid services can take priority, independent creatives will suffer. Websites like SoundCloud and BandCamp offer me a chance to share and collaborate free of charge. If their bandwidth is throttled to prioritize subscription or pay-per-download services, I won't have the resources to continue to create. That would be devastating.

—Julia Sedlis, St. Paul, MN

A net neutral internet is an important tool for free and accessible education, and educated people are the most valuable resource that this world has. Destroy net neutrality and you destroy education, communication, and human progress.

-Claire, Lincoln, NE

Net neutrality is important as it keeps a wealth of information available to everyone, not just those privileged.

—Christina Goldaine, Bethel Park, PA

As someone who grew up with the internet, I feel that the freedoms, information, and opportunities that have been made available to me by it are immeasurable. I am still young, but one of my concerns, which I feel many people like me share, is that my children will not have the same access to the knowledge and experiences that a free and neutral internet provides. The world is a better place because of the connectivity provided by the internet, and restricting that connectivity in the name of "good business" is nothing more than short-sighted greed. Please do not allow net neutrality to fall.

-Zachary Garner, Trinity, FL

stop trying to control everything you get your hands on and let something in this country be free!

-Alexis Torres, Covington, WA

Please leave the internet alone. Its fine the way it is now and passing this law just to line your pockets and your friends at the expense of the ENTIRE United States is asinine.

-Bobby Speaker, Aurora, CO

The internet is important to me because as an artist, I want to be able to reach the audience I want, with the ideas I want, from the inspiration I want. The internet is a place of innovation, creativity, and knowledge. I will not be silenced by those too greedy to think of the progression of their people. If the FCC waves a fight, they've got it!

-Michaela, Annapolis, MD

You're gonna lose a lot of service if this happens.

-Ange, Caledonia, MN

I'm old enough to remember a time before the Internet was widely used and young enough to have grown up using the Internet on an almost daily basis since I was about 12 years old. What attracted me so much back then as an adolescent, and what I still love the most about the Internet as a woman in her thirties, is the freedom. Anyone can have their voice be heard. This is so rare today. It's hard to have your voice heard on TV. It's hard to have your voice heard on the news. But on the Internet, everyone has a decent chance of having their say and having it be heard. That's so precious. And so American. Please don't destroy this.

-Amber Young, Lenhartsville, PA

If you violate the freedom of access that the internet provides then you violate the very principles that many have stood up for, and died protecting.

-Bassem, cuyahoga falls, OH

Neutral internet provides the best content to the masses. I don't want to live with an internet like China or N. Korea. Making content providers pay a premium to be relevant is a slippery slope.

—Giovanni Favors, Las Vegas, NV

The internet is a great place with great content. In a world where people have more and more trouble being themselves in the real world, we should not have someone else deciding whether certain parts of the internet are good for us or not. It should be up to the individual user. No one site is more important than another.

—Donald Norman, Cincinnati, OH

Leave greedy old farts out of my internet. They already misappropriate my taxes and screwed me on student loans.

-Holly Sowlles, Chicago, IL

Because this is supposed to be America, where crap like this doesn't happen.

-Katharine Lunde, Chicago, IL

Taking away net neutrality stunts creativity. Leave us alone!

—David Hong, cupertino, CA

Don't you dare try and ruin free human thought with bullshit from those corporate assholes.

-Luke B, Chicago, IL

Pease do not kill net neutrality.

—James Owen, Louisville, KY

ISPs do not deserve the power to discriminate web traffic. The internet belongs to the users and creators, don't let corporations rule the internet like they do our country.

-Amber Bledsoe, Boise, ID

People that use the internet are not made of money. We are consumers to ISPs but we don't have limitless amounts of money to hand over to them. We are the 99% that have money just to get by with their job to feed themselves and care for others that they are responsible for while some people have a few luxuries in life. The world has entered into something new. We are becoming more reliant to the internet and taxing something that is becoming more required of use in society is something that is completely unfair and shouldn't be allowed. As a college student I use the internet to find resources physical or digital for reports that help me construct my important assignments. I rely on the internet heavily and it shouldn't be taken advantage of by greedy corporations that are gigantic enough as it is. Please do not make the internet restricted. Make it open to the people because we are not a huge forest of money trees for the ISP companies to pluck away from us. We are living beings that rely on the internet as a tool for their professions that we have and to use it as a form of connection and entertainment.

—Connor James Capo, Roseville, CA

To me the internet feels like one of the few remaining frontiers. A place for exploration, creativity, and commerce in which everyone starts from the same line. A place capable of nurturing anything from a reddit post to a cultural revolution. As seems to be the case more and more often the powers that be need to seriously consider the real weight of their thirty pieces of silver.

-Ben, wilkesbarre, PA

Protect Net Neutrality, protect the internet.

-S, Buena Park, CA

Because it is, dammit. I just don't like the principle of pay to play.

—Jody, golden valley, MN

We're not China, we don't need the government or companies telling us what we can or cannot do on the internet. Don't be China. Keep Net Neutrality.

-Kerri Hilton, Eugene, OR

Free Press

Access to the internet is a right, not a privilege. No one should have to pay more to get more. Passing this will only cause a larger gap in the accessibility that makes the internet so great. As a college Social Work student, I use the internet to learn about new solutions around the world. The internet encourages real-world connections and solutions and if it wasn't for the internet I would not have been as enthused or inspired about changes happening around the globe. Please, I urge you to not ruin the internet. On the internet we are all equal. Why are you investing your time into creating more problems rather than investing the money and time wasted on school system reform or raising people up out of poverty? Don't ruin the internet. Don't make the world a worse place.

-Rachel Johnson, Brownsburg, IN

Net neutrality is important to me because I love the internet the way it is. It is fun and beautiful and useful and it would be a shame to see it regulated to the point where many of the things that make it great would not be possible.

-Jonathan Lewis, Moorestown, NJ

Free expression is a human right. We are not charged to protest a policy or promote an event on the street. It makes no sense to deny that right to people online either, especially to a corporate sponsored oligarchy.

-Nilesh Jambhekar, Media, PA

Internet should be equal to everyone

-Anthea Calhoun, Detroit, MI

I believe Net Neutrality is a fundamental aspect of the Internet and without it being upheld in the US the Internet and all of the freedom and information it bestows upon us will be forever tainted.

-Christian Mills, Draper, UT

KEEP AWAY FROM OUR INTERNET!

—Angela, Mechanicsville, VA

As a college business student I need to know that there will not be barriers to entry for the new ideas and services that I hope to bring to the marketplace. If ISP subscribers have an easier time loading websites of existing companies than my new innovative product, there's no way that I will be able to compete or succeed.

-Alex G, Salem, OR

The greatest innovations are done by free time.

-Eric Liu, marietta, GA

Because I already pay extra for more bandwidth that I need for work. I don't want to pay for extra access to websites I frequent. If this passes, it will ruin the internet for the masses.

-Mr. Gregory Rycerz, Indian Trail, NC

Keep the internet free. I don't want my cable company deciding what I can and cannot watch/read/listen to or absorb

-Matthew guthrie, Surf city, NC

Without Net Neutrality, the United States will lose a valuable asset that other countries take for granted - easy access to the Internet for all of its users - and exchange it for a tiered system of privilege that disfavors entrepreneurs, small businesses, and independent artists of all kinds. This is a poor trade, even for big businesses and other organizations who are in favor of privileged access, because it encourages the stagnation of ideas in what should be a free market of ingenuity and knowledge.

-Jeremiah, Tucson, AZ

completely wrong and making freedom cost extra like dlc —Adrien, rainbow city, AL FCC Keep the net neutral -Kurtis Holden, Aurora, CO Come on guys, make your money else where and don't put that dirty finger on net neutrality. sincerley, -Willio, South Pasadena, CA It would make it harder to access information that presently encourages growth in various fields of knowledge, further creating generations that have little opportunity to discover new topics outside their studies of school. People need to be allowed to think for themselves and not have dictated what they can or cannot access because they cannot afford to access certain sources. Information needs to remain free, and we cannot rely on an outdated library system for access to that information in aworld that is moving faster. -Timothy Lowman, Sheridan, WY It's my constitutional right to be able to speak freely. Stay out of the internet! Net neutrality! -Nathan strange, lagro, IN I use the net for a ton of research as I am a college student. If my freedom of looking at information provided by others in this country and other countries, scientific breakthroughs would slow down, technology won't improve as fast. And the internet will just be like crappy basic cable where nothing good is ever on. Please maintain the net neutrality we have. -Vivian C., Westfield, NJ We should not prevent the ability to research and see what we want. Nor inhibit the creativity of up and coming artists. —Christian Newby, Chickamauga, GA Net Neutrality is important to me because the entirety of human knowledge is being poured into the internet with vast amounts of exciting things.

-Adrian Poon, Hanford, CA

Please don't take away my rights for freedom of speech and freedom of the press. Ultimately, that is what this law will do. Then you will be known forever more as the people who ruined USA's freedom. You don't really want that now, do you? Also, this would make you literally the biggest douchebags in the entire universe. Our ancestors will look back (if they have internet access) and say, "Gosh, those douchebags really screwed everything up for us," So come on, be a bro and don't let this thing through. If you were ever worried that 1984 was coming true, THIS IS THE BILL THAT WILL START IT ALL. Or Brave New World. Which ever one you find most terrifying.

-Jane, Rexburg, ID

The internet is the only thing that makes me happy anymore. Please don't ruin it.

-Miles Dwertman, Cincinnati, OH

The internet is a creation of boundless creative, story, and life sharing. By limiting it you take away what is possibly the greatest asset to any society. The ability to learn and gather new ideas. Don't stunt growth for your own greed.

-Andrew Berger, Iowa city, IA

I WANT NET NEUTRALITY SO ME AND MY CHILDREN CAN EXPERIENCE THE FREEDOM OF THE INTERNET!

-Aidan Gerald Shaw, Taylors, SC

C'mon, really guys? Well, I join the movement.

-Chad Blische, Fuquay-Varina, NC

I'm concerned that my ability to view certain things on the internet will be restricted, and that certain web sites and individuals will suffer from lack of traffic due to the "pay-to-play" idea.

-Caroline Lepczyk, Madison, CT

The internet is close to perfect socialism. Everybody is equal and nobody has a say over what you do. No one has the power to regulate the things I can and can't see. Let's keep it that way!

-Trevor DeChant, Chicago, IL

As a librarian, net neutrality is incredibly important, as it brings innovative ideas about the profession, new services for patrons, technology, etc. to the forefront.

-Jessica Patterson, Bellport, NY

The internet is a very important aspect of my life. As well as, being entertaining, whether it be watching an video, or playing a game with a family member I would otherwise not be able to easily interact with.

-Quinn Marsh, Frederick, MD

Dear FCC, Net neutrality, the principle that Internet service providers (ISPs) treat all data that travels over their networks equally, is important to me because without it ISPs could have too much power to determine my internet experience by providing better access to some services, but not others. A pay-to-play Internet worries me because ISPs could act as gatekeepers to their subscribers. The Internet should continue to live up to its promise, fostering innovation, creativity and freedom. Regulations that will turn ISPs into gatekeepers, making special deals with the few companies that can "pay to play" and inhibiting new competition, innovation and expression should NOT be allowed.

—Alexandra sabo, Indianapolis, IN

Net Neutrality lets innovation run wild on the internet. Without that driving force ideas begin to stagnate. Keep online creativity and passion alive by supporting Net Neutrality. Fuck the trolls, though.

-Marcus Luna De Leon, Austin, TX

This is wrong. Stop it. Save the Internet. We have rights.

-Stefan Einoder, Boca Raton, FL

I work full time at a start-up and go to school part time at a community college. I have enough trouble paying my bills as it is, and it's nice to know I can pay one price each month to see and learn virtually anything. Please, don't make the wrong decision and do this.

-Forrest v., Pittburgh, PA

The internet belongs to everyone equally. It doesn't belong to those who pay the most.

-Heather Riley, Ames, IA

I like the internet, allowing corporations/anyone really with more money to get more of an advantage than they already have on the internet is idiotic.

—Deniz Gulari, Ann Arbor, MI

Things like this are why the USA ranks behind many European countries in terms of freedom, in this case, free speech and free press combined

—Luke Reno, Milford, PA

Net neutrality helps keep open one of the last level playing fields in information and idea sharing and maintains a balance between the haves and have nots. Allowing the big media companies to allow fastlane internet for pay will destroy the greatest thing about the internet. Keep the net neutral and deny the big media companies the ability to make distinctions between people and ideas.

-Blake Skipper, Buford, GA

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-Dylan, sterling heights, MI

The internet should not be manipulated into another money grab like cabel. Dont ruin this beautiful thing.

-Nicholas, Leesburg, GA

Please. Please. For once can you listen to citizens instead of corporations? Corporations are not people. Please stop treating them as such. Keep the internet free and open for citizens.

-Chad Steffl, Longmont, CO

If you guys don't keep up net neutrality you will stunt one of the largest frontiers for growing american business, and stifle the creativity and ingenuity of the american people.

-Rolando Pantoja, Westport, CT

Seriously, the Internet is a network for people - ordinary people - to connect and share their content and ideas with other people. Please do NOT end net neutrality! Don't let the Voice of the people be stifled even more by rich people in our capitalist society! We don't want to end up with the freedoms of speech equivalent to those of North Koreans:)

-Kamren, Royston, GA

The internet is the last bastion of free expression left in a dwindling world. To deny equal access to what is an essential portion of the American experience should be criminal. If you are supporting the further empowerment of ISPs, you are in direct conflict with the interests of all common Americans.

-Kevin Anderson, Charlottesville, VA

I want to live in a world we're it's okay to be weird and not have to pay for it, please please please keep the internet the way it is.

-Rebecca McAlary, lincroft, NJ

Stop trying to fix things that aren't broken. The internet was born to fuel creativity and bring about change, not to line the wallets of old men who are already far wealthier than I will ever be. The internet, no matter how "dangerous" some people claim it to be, is my personal safe haven. I've made friends, stayed connected with families, and have discovered so much, all through the internet. I am who I am today because of what I have learned on the internet. I am actually alive today because when I had nowhere else to go, I went online and found help. Don't take away this freedom, one of few we still have left. Leave this one undisturbed corner of the universe alone. That is all we ask for.

—Julia Goodgold, Ridgewood, NJ

Limiting our ability to access specific media outlets is a clear violation of the First Amendment. Allowing companies to pay ISP's extra to slow down the traffic to other websites is insane.

-Gabriel van Metre, Murray, KY

Because fuck you if you think that making a college student already in debt pay more for certain sites that make my already sad, pitiable life even a little bearable.

-Miriam Hassman, Rohnert Park, CA

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Basically, the Internet is now more of a public utility than a private network of services. We don't charge different rates for different qualities of water from the water utility, so why should we see different tiers of different service on the 'Net based on what people can pay? Preserve Net Neutrality!

-Matt Tuley, Portage, MI

The internet should be free to all, and everyone should have the same and fair playing field. Net Neutrality is moral, and without it, small start ups will not be able to exist - only the big companies will turn bigger and into monopolies.

-Lauren Reyes, Chicago, IL

Because Cable and other TV sucks and the internet has new innovative content.

-Maximilian T Dillon, Rocklin, CA

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-Molly, austin, TX

The Internet is important to me because it's something everyone should be able to have equal access to. Big corporate companies shouldn't have the right to take away internet privileges from the smaller groups and individuals who use it frequently and well. The internet is a place of great innovation and denying people of that would be a great disuse of it's opportunities.

-Madeline Mueller, Pella, IA

Net neutrality is not only important for me and my friends, it something that is our responsibility to maintain for the generations to come. You may think that getting rid of net neutrality may lessen the bad things about the internet, such as crimes against copyright laws and websites that either take advantage of or harm younger users, I firmly believe that the positives of Net Neutrality far out way the negatives that, frankly, will find some way to continue even if you eliminate Net Neutrality. Thank you.

-David Swan, Las Vegas, NV

The internet is important to us as a society as a free and open space for all comers to share ideas and get their shot. With more and more things going online these days net neutrality becomes more important as start ups have the same level field as the major players. Everyone always speaks about how we are losing small town America due to a major company comes in and buys it out, well as of now that is less likely to happen on the internet as a start up as the same access level as a major player. However if net neutrality is not maintained then that will slowly die off as they won't have the capital to pay for the faster bandwidth.

-Jeremy Holmes, Spring Branch, TX

The people made the internet happen. It belongs to the people, not big companies that will charge people for a service that's meant to be universal.

-Sam Cohen, Northbrook, IL

The internet is one of the only places where users are free to true expression, in whatever form they choose. Net Neutrality is essential for the growth of start-ups of the future. Without unbiased access to all websites, the internet is likely to become a small collection of monopolizing websites, rather than the vast web of sites it hosts today. The death of Net Neutrality is the death of the creative, engaging, and unique internet community that exists today.

-Lena Guerrero, Monticello, IL

Everyone should have open access to the internet. It would be wrong and unfair to control someones access, and restrict what they can do. You can't just take this away from people. Using other peoples information for your own gain is wrong. The internet is important to me because most of my family lives around the world and spread out. If my ability to talk with my family were restricted that would be the worst thing that could happen. It would be criminal. The internet should be an equal opportunity place. Trying to take away peoples right to this is unfair.

-Natasha Carpenter, Johnson City, TN

I'm going to be a high school english teacher in a couple of years. How will I ever be able to truly motivate my students to take steps such as publishing their work when one of the most creative outlets in the world is removed from them? I want to foster innovation, creativity, and freedom of expression. Net neutrality ensures this, so please, don't remove it.

-Laura Fulmer, Tuscaloosa, AL

Reddit brought me to this.

-Elton, Clifton, VA

Why is this still an issue? We've clearly brought these proposals forward before and the public response is always an emphatic NO! The craziest thing about this whole affair is the amount of money (and thus jobs, tax revenue, etc) being companies opposing net neutrality (Netflix, Google, etc) is clearly larger than the amount of money behind the cable companies. So stop putting this shit forward. We don't want it, the bigger corporations don't want it, and you're just making yourselves look bad.

-Bradshaw Irish, Brooklyn, NY

I want the internet to show me what I need, not what you want

-Gabe, Waxhaw, NC

Because the internet is for and by everyone. It's a free, worldwide space and no one group or person should get to touch or decide any rules for it.

-Abby K, Seattle, WA

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-Maximilian T Dillon, Rocklin, CA

Because the abolition of Net Neutrality would infringe upon the sacred freedom of every human being.

—Aaron Centeno, Albuquerque, NM

Net neutrality is central to the continuing preservation of the American principle of free speech. For the first time since the printing press, the world has a tool of communication which isn't strictly controlled by a small aristocracy. Though the potential for profit from the allowed tightening of control over the internet is tempting, it's simply the wrong way to approach the medium. Preserve net neutrality by allowing internet to be considered a utility. This is the best way to export freedom around the world without having to leave our desks. Americans love freedom. Americans love sitting around doing nothing. This is a win-win.

—Adam S. Mann, Aurora, CO

we need a free internet for equality

—Dr. Johnsmith Smith, NYC, NY

Ability to enjoy the Internet as it was intended: as a free space for people to share what they wanted whether it be through text, video, vocals and everything in between.

-Andrew, Babylon, NY

Because the internet is a place of freedom for every person, no matter how strange and weird you can be yourself on the internet. Or you can be someone else also, and thats kind of the beauty of it. I don't want our grandkids to look back and say "man, they fucked that up"

—Justine, Sioux City, IA

The internet is the easiest accessible place to the wealth of human knowledge. For one price, based on bandwidth, human kind is able to access the entire human race (with technological limitations of course). Government has never put a sliding scale on book rentals from a library, why would they consider doing the same thing to the modern equivalent?

-Edan Bryant, Aliso Viejo, CA

Because so few places allow for an open forum where all voices can be heard. One by one, people are being silenced and losing their freedom to speak their mind. Don't let it happen to the Internet!

-Jonathan, Hickory, NC

I stand for net neutrality and do not support any sort of "pay for play" system.

-Kelsey O'Neil, Brunswick, ME

This is a greedy move!

-Ryan, Santa Fe, NM

You KNOW why. A fast lane for the internet is against a free and open market. I didn't fight in Iraq and Afghanistan so wealthy conglomerates and monopolies could take advantage of a corrupt government to pervert one of the last (very important) open forums for information and business innovation and screw over the little people.

-Wesley, Gig Harbor, WA

This is utterly disgusting. Why should the rich get even more benefits from their status and hinder the chance of small time people on the internet from rising higher up.

-Samuel Marshall, Muskego, WI

I am a nineteen year old girl with a wealth of information about nutrition. By the age of 17, I had lost 65 pounds and wanted to share my newfound love for health with the world. By eighteen and a half, I relapsed with binge eating disorder and sank into a severe depression while gaining weight. I am a funny, relatable voice on the internet that shows first hand how difficult mental disorders can be while demonstrating the importance of self awareness and making nutritional information interesting and accessible to EVERYONE. My readership may not be huge, but I help people get better and my information deserves the same chances as anyone else's.

—Dana Balkin, Mishawaka, IN

I don't want the place that I call my home away from home, my business, and respite from the world to be ripped away from me and regulated to the point that it is unusable without forking over my hard earned money. The sheer force that the government could have coming down upon a realm such as the internet scares me and the majority of Americans. Leave the internet free of regulation, since it is the only place left without it.

-Drew, Inverness, IL

Allowing cable companies to restrict internet access is quite frankly immoral. In many nations a free internet is considered a right, and by forcing the citizens of the U.S. to pay a premium through cable companies in order to access what should be considered a basic right, you are no better than nations like China and North Korea that we mock for brainwashing their populations. I sincerely hope that you decide to take this issue more seriously. I understand your need to become even richer than you already are, but consider the needs of others before the needs of yourself.

—Thomas Infante, Livingston, NJ

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Net-Neutrality helps freedom of speech. Don't erode our freedoms

-Matt Seymour, Fort Collins, CO

Freedom to create, share, expose, promote, save, help, and even donate are some of the most important aspects of the internet. Free for everybody and a playground for the world.

-Daniel, portland, OR

As an American, I believe that the internet should be available for everyone to succeed with equal opportunity- not just the huge corporations who are simply looking for another way to make more money at the expense of the people.

-Matthew Ellis, Toledo, OH

Only thing keeping me sane.

-Rim Justler, niggeria, AL

Don't take away net neutrality. Thanks.

—Marysa, Vancouver, WA

I refuse to pay for something that I should have every right to. These companies should be ashamed of their unethical behavior.

-Jennifer Sprague, Farmington Hills, MI

dear FCC please stop this nonsense and leave the internet alone, you are ruining good things in the world.

-Koji Mitoma, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

The internet is for the distribution of knowledge and information, FREELY AND WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION. The internet is not, if anything, the greatest tool that humanity has for becoming informed upon any subject or topic. Restricting the ability to retrieve any piece of information at a given moment is wrong and an atrocity if anything. Thank you for your time.

-Walter Scott, Poughkeepsie, NY

Many small businesses and online merchants have equal ground to getting customers and changing that will create a huge impact to the economy. I took a trip to L.A it was my first time and as such I deigned to do a sightseeing tour. I looked online and saw several commercialized ones. Their prices were a little more than cared to spend. So I continued my search. I found this awesome little sightseeing tour group was owned by three friends. The tour driver was friendly, sharing about his life in California, some of his favorite places. He took us to all the main tourist attractions but he also helped us to discover a different side to L.A. that was less commercial. It was the best consumer experience I've ever had. If not for the freedom and unrestricted access the internet gives us to commercial vendors as well as small businesses ones I probably wodnof never had as memorable an experience on my trip to L.A.

-Maria E.Chavez, Dallas, TX

The Internet is important to me because, as a college business student, I need to know that there will not be barriers to entry for the new ideas and services that I hope to bring to the marketplace. If ISP subscribers have an easier time loading websites of existing companies than my new innovative product, there's no way that I will be able to compete or succeed.

-Elsa, miami, FL

I'm currently working on my major in Management Information Systems. I want to do IT work. Up until this point in my life, pretty much everything I've learned about computers, both software and hardware has been because of the internet. If you allow the FCC to control the internet, you could severely hinder the learning of future young minds like myself. The internet must be allowed to remain open to anyone and anything. Sure that means there's a shit ton of garbage out there, but let us sift through the garbage to determine what is important to us. Don't be douche bags. Keep your fucking hands off the internet.

-Dan, Tulsa, OK

I want to be able to view everything on the internet without being limited.

-Jonathan Knobloch, Kennesaw, GA

I like turtles. So let me see them where ever I want!

-Nick Corradino, Phoenix, AZ

I use the internet for my work. I use it to communicate with family and friends around the globe. It would be very sad and unfair to have this taken away.

-Kay Carpenter, Johnson City, TN

This is vitally important to me as a small business owner. I sell my products online, and rely on the websites I go through to sell my pieces. I rely on the bloggers I connect with that promote my work, and I rely on the freedom people have to roam the internet, enabling them to discover me. If you take away net neutrality, you take away my livelihood.

-Jessica Goodenbury, Rochester, NY

Net neutrality is important because the internet is supposed to be a wonderful place where anyone (not just big corporations) can succeed. What happened to the American dream?

-Ke;sey McCord, Manhattan, KS

The nation needs net neutrality to escape from the money-hungry, power-greedy hands of corporations thinking that more bills will make people happy. The fact is that the internet should be used freely and justly so. There's no need for cable companies to pay for exclusive content; America doesn't need some sort of future monopolistic industry in the digital world wide web. Neutrality needs to stay, and only you can make it that way. The people have spoken and we want our internet to stay as it is. There's nothing wrong with where it's at, but if companies like Time Warner and Verizon get their way, it'll be over for all of us, including yourselves.

-Jordan Burdick, Kansas City, KS

Free speech should literally be free. Don't censor the Internet.

-Bethany Williams, San Leandro, CA

The free exchange and flow of ideas is of paramount importance to the production and refinement of ideas in the coming age. The greed and arrogance of the current power holders is truly one of the greatest tragedies of the past age. Please do not mortgage our future to fund your retirement.

-Ben Bloomer, hamilton, OH

The internet, to me, is a place where i can express myself. My opinions, my views, my religion, everything. If Net Neutrality is taken away, you're taking away my expression. You're taking away my freedom of speech, and my rights to express my freedom. That's not what America is about. It's un-American to do this and you damn well know it.

-Morgan Strain, Frederick, MD

Net neutrality helps small businesses and the free market, since it allows internet businesses to reach consumers based on merit, not corporate cronyism. As a college engineering student, my social and academic life wouldn't be where it is now without websites that started off as small, bootstrapped startups.

-Stefan Deutsch, Cleveland, OH

I am a recent computer science graduate. My goal is to create my own net-based start up company, but without net neutrality that goal might no longer be possible. The Internet is so much more than an entertainment service. It is the lifeblood of modern commerce and innovation. Please protect the ability of the American people to be self-sustaining.

-Lars, beverly hills, MI

I want my internet yo be open to everyone, and not monetized in some evil corporate way

-Thomas Mehall, Kalamazoo, MI

You are seriously an idiot if you think that privitizing the internet will benefit anyone.

-Emily B, Honolulu, HI

Preserve Net Neutrality. Don't give the cable companies control of the internet.

-Josiah Parker, Ithaca, NY

Hey you guys need to protect net neurality

-Alan, Ramona, CA

Net Neutrality is as important as basic freedom in America. It IS basic freedom. I support Net Neutrality.

-Lisa Sartin, Austin, TX

KEEP THE INTERNET OPEN FOR EVERYONE

-Jane Nguyen, San Jose, CA

I should be able to have access to any and all information on the internet without interference from the government.

-Katharine Mulfinger, Bettendorf, IA

Net neutrality is important to me because access to information is a right, not a privilege.

-Kylie N, Saginaw, MI

It is absolutely essential for the preservation of the internet as a means of equal access to digital communication that Net Neutrality is upheld.

-Jack Taylor, Manhattan Beach, CA

I want access to everything on the internet, not just what I can pay for. Save this one cool thing about humanity. Don't let your greed get in the way.

-Dan, Aurora, IL

Net neutrality is the embodiment of freedom of speech, and the fact that the FCC is GOING OUT OF ITS WAY to rob the American people of that disgusts me to no end. If net neutrality it disposed of it will prove once and for all how corrupt the government is to everyone. Please don't be assholes and actually do something that benefits the American people rather than suppressing them.

-Gregory James Fischer, Reston, VA

Please don't take net neutrality away. This isn't what the people want. Listen to the people.

-Liza Kranch, Bellefonte, PA

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Net neutrality allows me to connect with music producers and artists to give me job and follow my passion.

-Sam, Fort Collins, CO

There would be no creativity left on the internet, nothing at all. Everything would be screened and we lose the neutrality of the internet.

-Ryan, Jacksonville, IL

The internet is the last place where all people are allowed to voice their opinions, heard equally, free of charge or permission. When I suffered from anorexia, I used the internet to find small support groups to help me through the pain. When my friend was struggling with his sexuality, the internet allowed him to contact support and research his issues without fear of repercussions or discovery. The internet is not just news, social media, and work. It is a place where a person with an idea can reach millions of people, free of charge. Net Neutrality allows all people to be heard equally - equal rights, in other words, part of the foundation upon which this country was built. Beginning musicians, new innovators, inventors and entertainers artists and teachers and scientists and students and parents - all are permitted. If you shut down Net Neutrality, if you begin to diminish the power of free speech, free EQUAL speech, you will remove support and opportunity for every person in this country, in favor of corporations and the almighty dollar. Please, please keep the internet free. It is the last place so many of us feel safe.

-Katrina Sabochick, Portland, ME

Don't make us hate congress and the government more. Make the right decision.

-Bradley, South Ogden, UT

I am a music teacher in a public school. I use the internet to allow my students to create and research old and new musics. With net neutrality not all of my students will have access to the full interactive and innovative power of the internet. Their creativity will be limited as will their access to new amateur music and the exposure of their own compositions.

-Rachel, Clarence, NY

I believe that this type of corruption done by the FCC chairmen should not go unchecked and should be stopped.

-Michael Pityer, Newport news, VA

The internet exists to allow the sharing of ideas, thoughts, projects, hopes, dreams, and entertainment on a global scale where absolutely anybody has an equal chance to communicate what they wish, the disposal of net neutrality would be spitting on these individual and personal freedoms to make greedy, unhappy, selfish people slightly richer, but no happier.

-Nate, hollidaysburg, PA

Let us continue to use our voice and visit the sites that WE see fit. The internet is not for corporations, it's for people. It's a haven.

-Julie Grant, Clifton, ME

The internet as it is now, is the only place where I have the chance to speak freely about whatever I may have on my mind. It is also one of the only places that I can find people who have similar opinions and passions. Most of all, it is the only place where people can unanimously unite in incredible numbers to save themselves from people like you who hope to hinder what we all hold dear. I hope you will reconsider your stance on net neutrality.

—Victoria, Omaha, NE

Net Neutrality is important to me because the freedom to search and explore various online communities and viewpoints allowed me to come to terms with my homosexuality. The Internet is one of the most important tools for young gay people to interact with and read stories from those that are going through and have gone through the same emotions and familial issues as them.

-Michael Ogle, Madison, WI

The Internet is important to me because, as a social worker, I believe that this would severly limit people to accessing resources found on the internet. It would only include businesses who could afford ISP subscription and likely exclude many other resources from small businesses. This would take away a place where people who may ot be heard elsewhere can discuss issues and needs. Lastly, the internet is a vibrnt place that gives millions of people hope for their aspirations. Many people are discovered via youtube for musical talent or video making abilities. Also, this could impact families with financial struggles from being able to even afford the interent because ISP providers could bein charging based on access to sites. Thnk you for your time in reading this.

-Erin Raymond, Spring Hill, FL

I believe in an equal voice.

-Casey Kielian, Baltimore, MD

Internet is so important to everyone now. It should be a place where one can explore for new information. it shouldn't be controlled by companies just because they have money. The internet is one of the few places left where someone truly has a voice. To corrupt it with money would just not be American.

-Casey, Allston, MA

Big Brother is Watching You.

-Aaron Renshaw, Herrin, IL

Hello, What the FUCK are you thinking. If you want to fuck shit up go back to Iraq and have at it again. Leave the MOTHER fucking INTERNET alone. Or, I will just build a wireless mesh network free of your stupidity and leave all your dumb asses behind. Remember. Humans always find a way. Sincerely, Everyone on the internet.

-T Internet, La Grande, OR

The internet is arguably the best innovation in recent history. Such an open platform where ideas and content can spread to anyone with little or no restriction. As is, it is fantastic, where so much is available to a user. The internet should be considered a utility, a tool of free speech, not another cashcow for the giants. I have learned so much- even with the most basic internet connection, though sites like wikipedia, youtube, countless DIY blogs. I would not be the same skilled individual I am today without it. Thanks for taking the time to read Eric

-Eric Krugman, Island Lake, IL

I hate cable. I love the internet. Don't let the internet turn into cable.

—Cody Jorgensen, DALLAS, TX

Net neutrality is important because without it, thousands upon thousands of people would lose their jobs. If big companies can box out any smaller company, there would be no more web designers or small, internet based, start up companies.

-Jacob Swanson, Dewittville, NY

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-Linda GIOIA, SELDE, NY

It's important to me because I saw a video on youtube that made me care about this. #rekt #thestruggle

-Dutch Hill, Chandler, AZ

Net neutrality means everyone, regardless of their resources, has a place to share ideas and reach millions of people. Please preserve net neutrality, as it is necessary for the free internet as we know it to survive. Thank you.

-Robert Baumann, Venice, FL

Because everyone should have equal access to everything on the web- and big companies should not be allowed to be in charge of it.

-Alyssa Alt, Juneau, AK

Keep the internet free of corporate money. What we don't need is for you to try and control the internet. The only thing with the internet you should be doing is tell the big boys to stop throttling internet speeds and charging a ton for nothing. Other country are so far ahead of us and we're the birth place the internet.

-John Hodge, Dallas, TX

This is America. I deserve a free internet. With you fucking this up, America is quickly being controlled by the rich assholes who don't give a fuck about the people that make America run. Get ready for a huge clusterfuck if you destroy the internet as we know it.

-Stephen, granville, OH

Because freedom is slowly dying. You are taing everything away from the people.

—Ashli Youngblood, Tifton, GA

I want to internet to remain a place of freedom and expression.

-Alec Schweder, Milwaukee, WI

These companies are already practically monopolies in most areas of the country. They control AND overcharge for access to on-screen entertainment, education and information already. If you begin allowing them to also control the internet, you will in turn prevent many United States citizens who are marginalized, low-income, or in debt from accessing essentially limitless free information. For college students like myself and my classmates, who are already heavily in debt, the internet provides a valuable service during research and simple investigation. In addition, the internet provides a zone where anyone and everyone may express him/herself with the whole world as an audience. We already have paid ads/search results on search engines. That is enough. Everyone deserves the freedom of expression and to access information. Restricting the access to all the opinions, facts, research, and entertainment makes this country no better than countries that restrict citizens' access to information. This country is founded on freedoms, and the internet allows us the freedom to research and develop our own opinions, expose ourselves to dissenting opinions and different perspectives, and freely educate ourselves. Don't take those freedoms away from the people you were designed to protect!

—Charlene P. Steffel, Turtle Creek, PA

A tiered internet would stagnate and stifle one of the most essential pillars of both our economy and our culture. A free and open internet is a prerequisite for our country to maintain relevance in the coming century.

-Jeremy Lee, Los Angeles, CA

Restrictions on the availability of access of users to the internet and creators and business owners to their potential customers would hamstring both consumers and small business owners. It would come close to violating freedom of speech by restricting access and erecting barriers on this, our most universal and free platform. This would greatly put us behind in both technological and cultural viewpoint with the rest of the world by stopping voices from being heard. In addition this approaches these providers having a monopoly as the element of competition is all but nonexistent in the system at it's current point.

—Bwalker, Syracuse, NY

No one wants an internet where big name companies are able to purchase their audience. If they want us to pay attention to them, then they need to work on it. I like finding odd random things that other people have made, but if all the internet is some old rich fuck deciding what I want, well...Canada-ho!

—Matthew, Champlin, MN

Keep the internet free. Give small start ups a chance to succeed on the internet, instead of giving the ISP even more power which they abuse.

—Mateusz Sulkowski, castle rock, CO

ISP's should be counted as common carriers. They should not have the power to control what they carry just like any other common carrier and also be protected by common carrier laws.

-Aidan Reid, Stevensville, MD

The internet should not be ruled by rich people. This is common sense but apparently it's an issue now...

-Oliver, Austin, TX

The FCC is fantastically stupid.

-Gabe, Chesapeake, VA

How the heck is having former chairman of the FCC (government agency that's SUPPOSED to protect you) now being the cable industry's head lobbyist and another former cable industry lobbyist now being the CURRENT head of the FCC not raising any bells???? It's a complete conflict of interest! Net neutrality must be protected! Quit being in the large companies' pockets and actually start protecting citizen rights. The internet is one of the greatest inventions in the world in part because it allows anyone to provide easy access of information. How is setting up the internet in a business model like cable to going to benefit ANYONE but the large corporations. It will stifle growth and innovation.

-Jason Ye, Athens, GA

Please don't let corporations take over the most important scientific development in any of our lifetimes.

-Joe, Winter Park, FL

I need the internet to do my job, work at school, and provide for my kids.

-Byong, Pomona, CA

Net Neutrality is important because it enables competition, creativity and above all, a sense that the rags-to-riches United States of America still exists. As it stands, the removal of Net Neutrality perpetuates the monopoly that ISPs have, especially when one looks at how many pies they have fingers in.

-Alec Gallion, Orange Park, FL

Net neutrality is important to me because I am a regular person who doesn't want to be told what I can and can not enjoy by a corporation without having to pay extra. The internet is vast and I don't think it should be limited to me.

—Jun Monroe, los angeles, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because I use the internet (and Youtube) to better myself as an EMT when it comes to my patients, and my students.

-Alexander Henderson, Shepherd, MI

The internet is full of useful and educational tools that will no longer be available once this bill goes into play. Please don't restrict people from bettering themselves and others.

-Jonathan, Long Beach, CA

The Internet should be treated as a utility. Like water or electric. Every one should have equal rights to the internet.

-Ryan Ogle, san antonio, TX

The Internet is important to me because, as a freelance artist, I need unbridled access to a free web to promote my craft and make a living.

-Tom Collins, Englewood, CO

Don't mess with my Internet, bro.

-Juan Quintanilla, Houston, TX

The Internet is a resource that can not and will not be controlled by bureaucrats.

-Kasey Kubiak, Ramona, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because I rely upon many independent sites for not only news, entertainment, and general information but also for communication. One of the most amazing things that the internet has in freedom of mass communications. There are not restriction on the way in wish one can communicate. It is a forum arguably more open than face to face communication. Please allow the freedom to interact with the world to remain available to all.

-Luke Meyers, saint cloud, MN

What the hell is up with everybody trying to restrict the internet? I don't want to get all 1984 and stuff, but it seriously seems like this government censorship is taking league in this so called "free" America. I want to see what I want to see, not some pre-approved mush that people 40 years my senior think is okay based off of who has the most money.

-Brittney H, Westwood, CA

Not that this will be read, but net neutrality is important for very obvious reasons. If you are incapable of observing this on your own, you are an unmerited organization of fools (which wouldn't be shocking). Money isn't whats important, equality and unbiased information is. Stop being a corporate swine cock sucker and think about the bigger picture for once. I don't even care if the NSA monitors what I do, I understand why its done. I don't feel violated, because I doubt they care about the petty shit I do on the internet. Its for security and data gathering reasons. But this is just exploitation and bullshit. Get your heads out of your asses or the higher-up's dicks out of yours. Sincerely, An Astronaut (who is one for the reason of being on a planet populated by the sheer idiocy you represent).

-Ricky Schlussel, East Hampton, NY

Please do something for the people of the United States and stop treating corporations like they are human beings. The internet needs to remain neutral to allow for all the great and wonderful things it has brought us today.

-David Mulfinger, Bettendorf, IA

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-Luke Meyers, saint cloud, MN

Dear FCC, Please do your job properly, without any bias or a corrupt agenda. thank you and best of luck. Jess Little —Jessica, new york, NY

Net Neutrality is needed for innovation on the internet. Please keep it in effect.

-Michael Macklin, Oceanside, NY

Net neutrality is INCREDIBLY important to almost all Americans. Protect the internet--don't let ISPs discriminate between different types of traffic. It's not theirs--nor yours--to control. Also, Comcast is the corporate embodiment of Satan.

-Laura Fisher, Cincinnati, OH

I actually wish that all the sorry ass rich fucks that are killing what this country WAS, which was a hot bed for some of the greatest inventions AND some of the greatest minds were able to come here and then become an actual something because of the FREEDOM this country is all about, fall over dead. The ignorance forms a tumor and, I don't know, swells Ted Cruz's shitty head up to where it squeezes his eyes out of their socket like the poo in one of those little pig key chains that you squeeze. What I'm CONCERNED about is that said rich fucks, will now throw my opinion of what I want to the highest bidder and slather it all over a screen that I no longer will go on. Kinda like what steve jobs did to the computer/phone/music industries. These companies, do not pay taxes. They do not ask the consumers. They probably DO wipe their ass with with each others hands because nothing says I love you like a cheeky pinky slip. We as a free country can not be ruled by capitalism. It is a capitalist country, but money is how all of the worst powers on the planet came to be. If we allow this to happen, we are handing money to the moneys.

-Quinn Musielak, woodstock, IL

Net Neutrality is important to me because THIS is how government gets too big; not by regulating big business, but by regulating what everyday people can and cannot do in the privacy of their own homes.

-Renee Wall, Ithaca, NY

Net Neutrality is important for every individual to have equal access to paths for free speech. You already took it away from cable and radio. Don't do it on the internet. Also, stop with the revolving door in Washington. It is really getting old. Yeah, I am talking to you FCC chairman. How do you live with yourself?

-Aaron Lockard, West Chester, PA

The startup I work for will be crowded out and lose visibility on the internet. Also, I'm tired of government/corporate invasion into all parts of American life.

-Reid, Brooklyn, NY

There is very little trust the American people have in the government anymore. Please listen to the PEOPLE and do what is best for the people, not who pays more.

-Selena Foster, Olathe, KS

Net Neutrality lets every person on the internet say their piece and voice their concerns without being censored. Do not take that away.

—Tessa Jenner, Albuquerque, NM

Because without the freedom we have now then we won't be able to confidently browse the internet looking for information. I, as an engineering student, use the internet constantly to get a better understanding of the concepts that I am being taught in class. Without the confidence to immediately browse the internet for sources that can explain the subject better students will hold back and not look for sources that could make them understand the subject fully.

-Marcus Iqbal, Darien, CT

We need net neutrality because the internet is the only place that still has true freedom of speech.

-Leo, Los Angeles, CA

It allows everyone to be free to be themselves and to have indepence of which THIS COUNTRY was found upon. Breaking this would break a foundational principal of our living constitution. This is a place where everyone has a chance to have consumers. Why screw with it?

—Davis, Collierville, TN

How dare you think that you have the right to let cable companies essentially take away freedom of speech.

—Nicolo Dannemiller, San Antonio, TX

As an IT professional working off of the internet to avoid lpng distant service calls, net neutrality very wholly SUPPLIES JOBS. Taking that away would kill the industry by a very large margin. Not just for small businesses, but large companies also will lose money.

-Dave, Cleveland, OH

Because I don't want the internet to be monopolized. Also, Freedom.

-Fernando Ferrales, Brandon, FL

I am a big supporter of small, individual groups that create games. Also known as Indie Games developers, and these developers are what I saw as progress. When the idea of the internet came to mind, I saw a place that anyone can use, regardless of their origin or financial status, to create something. And since I take part in the gaming community, I'd like to see this side of gaming grow, the smaller, lesser known people. But gaming isn't the only thing suppressed by Net Neutrality. Things like small time groups or even one person that has a break through in any field of work, may it be engineering or medical or architecture, they need something to boost their success, a kickstarter. Net Neutrality would increasingly diminish their chances of success, their chances of getting their idea into the world, their idea that could save lives.

-My Huynh, Las Vegas, NV

Please keep the net a fair play zone so small businesses like mine get a crack at customers too.

-Scott Anliker, Bloomington, MN

Please, do not do this to me,

—Brian M Williams, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY

Net Neutrality means equal playing ground for everyone. Freedom and equality is what it's all about.

-Kelsey, Broomfield, CO

I like having the ability to watch what I want, where I want! There should be no government watch over my internet!

-Stephany Garcia, keansburg, NJ

The internet is a wonderful place where everyone is able to express themselves. Everyone's voice can be heard. For a lot of people, the internet is their only safe haven from outside life. I myself have a lot of friends on the internet. Some of my best friends I've met from the internet. This would not have been possible without Net Neutrality. As somebody who spends much of their time on the internet, please protect the place I love.

-Greg Bilodeau, Nashua, NH

Net Neutrality is the lifeblood of the Internet, and without it, there will be untold damage. Do not give in to corporate interests. I grew up when the Internet was free to all, and I want my children to be able to learn in the same environment. Without Net Neutrality, countless innovations will be stifled because of an insurmountable cost of barrier to entry. Keep the Internet free, as it was intended to be.

-Eric Roberson, Warrior, AL

Leave my internet alone please! Net Neutrality is important to me!

-Joseph Pearson, Knife River, MN

Because corporations exist to make money, not to make good decisions. Don't let corporations decide what I get to see on the internet.

—C Knepp, Washington, IN

Do not take away people's freedoms by conforming the internet to your own desires.

—Spencer Stephens, seguin, TX

Because on the internet, everyone is equal. Poor or rich alike, we all have a chance to get our voice heard or start a like of t-shirts based on our somewhat amusing comic/opinion/cat. -Chris Amann, Middleton, WI I need net neutrality because it allows for an even play field allowing equal access to everyone. -Mohammad Tariq, Riverdale, GA Net neutrality is the last and best place hope for small businesses, creative ideas, and the latest news (biased or unbiased) to be shown, grown and proliferated. Do stop the madness and keep Net Neutrality to the safety and fairness of the net. -Chad P Trexel, Orinda, CA If you do this, you will provoke the already rising anti-corruption movement even more. This is criminal. And eventually we, the people will make sure it is criminal. -Daniel Kline, florence, KY Because cat pictures, seriously. SERIOUSLY. CAT PICTURES -Ben Gadbois, Santa Clara, CA A country built on the ideas of freedom and equality cannot justifiably do this! —Austin Gilbert, Lawrenceville, GA I think you're making a huge mistake. The internet is for everyone, not a dew big business. Stop being greedy and stop letting money dictate. You can't put a price on everything. The internet is meant to be fair and neutral. Keep your hands off it... -Levi George, Lancaster, OH The Internet is important to me because, ideas and potential ideas are created from the internet or for the internet. I am a future Graphic Designer, if my services online suffer because of expensive fees, it will be hurting me, it would hurt the people more. Aside from expenses, there is the monopoly of the internet service of ISPs, too much power gives the opportunity for abuse. -Crystal, El Paso, TX In the last couple of years, the internet has been the breeding place for new ideas and innovations. -James Kollinger, Pittsburgh, PA

The internet was originally created to share ideas, open source thinking. So instead of letting it be what it should be (something everyone and anyone can have access to) you guys (the FCC) who originally are supposed to protect my interests, are instead deciding to bed with corporate thugs? Really? With all the shit going on in every other part of the government you guys want to join that? You want to be part of the problem? You guys would stand out more for actually doing your jobs for once. Keep Net Neutrality.

-Will Murray, Kirkland, WA

Because I want freedom to pick internet content that is important to me, not to someone else.

—Kiara, windham, ME

The American people are sick of having our lives run by lobbyists. This could be the tipping point. If you want to keep getting away with this crap I suggest you give up trying to control the internet.

-Mark, Worcester, MA

Net Neutrality isn't just about freedom of internet... The internet has defined the generations that grew up with it and we don't want the internet going the way of cable, where we have to pay to get better service or watch our favorite shows. It's not right.

-Erin, Los Angeles, CA

Net Neutrality needs to be in place to protect the internet from impartiality

-Ellen Beilmann, Glendale, AZ

Net Neutrality is important because it keeps the internet easy to access for all types. Blocking people from starting their own business is a terrible and frankly, an un-American idea

-Andre Zuniga, New Brighton, MN

We must preserve Net Neutrality in order to stimulate creativity and keep the internet weird.

-Michael M, Tampa, FL

Keep the internet out of politics, please. Everyone deserves to have a voice, and deserves to be heard. Protect Net Neutrality.

-Andreea Collins, kalamazoo, MI

The net needs to stay open to all for the safety of innovation and the growth of imagination in the American population. Thank You!

-Risa Kuperstein, Portland, OR

I quote: "We believe that a free and open Internet can bring about a better world. To keep the Internet free and open, we call on communities, industries and countries to recognize these principles. We believe that they will help to bring about more creativity, more innovation and more open societies." We cannot let the internet be controlled (it's monitored heavily now - but not yet 'controlled'). This is our final free space and it must remain so.

-Jordan Presley, Valley Village, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because I feel that I should have free access to whatever corners of the internet I should choose to browse. Was this country not founded upon a message of freedom, and not corporate sponsorship and censorship?

-George Zimmerman, Portland, OR

Net neutrality is important because it is necessary to keep the internet a creative and free forum for the exchange of ideas, cultures, art, etc. Enacting regulations that force users to pay for access to certain users and services is ridiculous. Please. Keep the internet neutral.

-Henry Stahl, Columbus, OH

Dear FCC, I am writing this letter to you today to ask you to embrace net neutrality. Net neutrality is a big reason as to why the internet is the way it is today. I have used the internet for many things, such as watching the works of Roosterteeth(an independent film company whose growth was only possible via net neutrality), listened to the music of several musicians not associated with a record label, and watching countless hours of gameplay footage of many games. I fear that without net neutrality, these people would never have gotten off of the ground, or would have been shut down before they had gotten fame. I thank you for reading through this letter, and I would appreciate a response to indicate that this would not be the case under the current proposition. Have a great day. Sincerly, Quinn Foley

—Quinn Foley, Evanston, IL

The US government has failed us too often of late in regards to protecting this country from the interests of a handful of ultra-wealthy corporations. Do the right thing and protect the power the internet has given the common people. Protect net neutrality!

-Brett Apitz, Dracut, MA

I believe net neutrality is an issue of fairness, justice, progress, citizens' rights, and freedom.

—Carolina Balvin Arevalo, MADISON, WI

Your job is to serve the people. Keep the net neutral. —Samantha Burton, Columbus, OH Are you that greedy? a -Lu Ngo, brownsville, TX The Internet is important to me because, as a college business student, I need to know that there will not be barriers to entry for the new ideas and services that I hope to bring to the marketplace. If ISP subscribers have an easier time loading websites of existing companies than my new innovative product, there's no way that I will be able to compete or succeed. -Hoa D. Tran, Antioch, CA Giving power to corporations to censor what I can access on the internet is a horrible idea. Do not allow cable companies to kill their competition so that they can prevent themselves from going bankrupt when people get tired of their constantly changing user agreements. -Clarissa Blagg, Cape Girardeau, MO The Internet is the last equal platform where small businesses in America can still compete with corporate giants. Please don't take opportunity for the American dream away from the common people in order to line the pockets of the already privileged. -Heather, carrollton, TX The greatest thing to happen in our generational lives is the open source information that the internet provides, and to restrict it in any regard is to commit a crime against human kind and the progress of ideas. -Daniel, Lebanon, CT Please stop screwing over the people who pay part of federal salaries. Is representation so meaningless? -Elizabeth Rosen, Sebastopol, CA You stop that now. Leave it alone. If it's not broken, why fix it? -Antonio Lombardi, Louisville, OH Do not soil what is pure. Net neutrality must stay neutral. -Jeffrey Daniel Lechner, omaha, NE

It is important because everybody deserves a chance.

-Rina Whitehouse, Augusta, GA

The Internet is one of the last places people are comletely equal in say. Discriminating against certain traffic is not only against the constitution but also a morally wrong thing to do. Please stop, Net Neutrality is crucial to the internet staying the great place it is.

—Tim Graffuis, Anacortes, WA

I prefer my internet free to all users. Don't tread on my internet. Please and thank you.

-Christopher Tasior, Chicago, IL

I believe the internet should be open source. No body should be able to 'approve' what is online. The internet is the most free form of speech and expression that has ever existed. It is our duty and our right to keep it that way.

—Ashley Gibbs, Reno, NV

I'm a designer in the entertainment industry, which includes animation, film, and video games. I need an internet where I can easily access good inspiration and other information regarding my own industry virtually daily, and I cannot afford to let me clients down by having the FCC interfere with my daily Google searching, which helps me to do my job well, and feed my family.

-Roger Scott, Los Angeles, CA

you're meant to protect the ability to keep the internet as open as possible to protect or freedom of speech and expression. if something like this goes in to effect you will help place another nail into the coffin that is killing america's future.

-Staffan, tonawanda, NY

After all the years of the internet being free, this would single handedly destroy everything it stands for. DO NOT pass this law.

-Dave Soetanto, Austin, TX

don't you dare touch our internet you mother filthy money grabbing whores. You can seriously fuck right off with that shit. Comcast sucks enough dick as it is, I don't want to be paying for even worse internet in the future. So seriously, go ahead and fuck off FCC

-Adam Tornow, Troutville, VA

I will prioritize my net usage, I don't need someone else doing it for me. I pay way to much already for too little bandwidth I don't need ISPs ripping me off even more.

-Matthias Johnson, Marlboro, NY

It's the only honest thing.

-Elizabeth C Ross, Jacksonville, FL

Dear FCC, The internet is not for you to limit or filter. A huge part of the internet is people expressing themselves or fostering creative ideas. You have no right to filter things I want to see or sell my views to large companies. We clearly know the large companies exits, they have the money to advertise on the television, the small business who start on the internet and live on the internet are the ones who need the views and by filtering me to just the larger companies you are effectively killing small start up companies. Please stop thinking with your wallets and do the right thing. For once I'd like the government are large companies to think of the people they serve instead of throwing us under the buss and to serve themselves. Sincerly, Megan McChristy

-Megan McChristy, Boise, ID

If this is allowed, it means less choices for users, allows ISPs to gate content and stifles innovation for startups that can't afford the "fast lane"

—Schuyler Lambert, Brodnax, VA

The internet is supposed to be a place for ANYONE to express themselves to the world. Taking that away from the American people is the exact OPPOSITE of the American dream-- to be able to make a name for yourself. Please do not try and control who sees what on the internet. Net neutrality is desperately needed to continue on the internet.

-Angie Delk, Lamoni, IA

The internet is the last bastion of free press. I implore you to not allow yourselves to be bought out by comcast and verizon. If you end net neutrality you might as well let big companies run the nation.

-Mr. Leif Mendenhall, Albuquerque, NM

I don't want anyone but ME to choose what I can and can't access on the internet.

-Risa Nagasaki-Tabor, West Columbia, SC

The internet and net neutrality is important to me because I am a college student interested in computer science and web design, focusing on entrepreneurial ventures. Without net neutrality, I am already fighting a losing battle against large companies that pay to succeed with a business model that only serves to grow the revenue of major internet providers.

-Dillon Haley, Evergreen, CO

Fuck you fuck you fuck you

—Ryan Strain, Portland, OR

I want the internet to remain a place where the voices of all may be heard equally.

-Geoffrey Hanson, white bear lake, MN

The Internet is all about niches -- finding a tiny community that happens to have the same oddly specific interest as you. Comedians. Streamers. Gamers. Writers. Musicians. All people that don't always have huge amounts of money in their pocket to pay for more bandwidth. Please. Keep the little guys alive. Small sites are small businesses too -- and we all know how important those are. Look, you're the government. You've got a bad enough track record these days. Take a stance against the corporations. Save Net Neutrality. Stop using your positions to feather your own nests and do something for the people for once.

-Mike, Souderton, PA

Protect the net neutrality. Don't discriminate.

-Harsha, Redmond, WA

As a student, and an overall fan of using the internet, I find that having all the corners of the internet equally available a very important part of my life. It leaves options open, it provides an openness and awareness for what I look at.

-Hannah Slatin, New York, NY

Why would you makeparts of the internet need to be paid for. Is this Russia? Are we living in North Korea now?

-Michael Root, Nashua, NH

As a developing Digital Marketing student, the possible restrictions of the Internet will, without a doubt, ruin my chances of success as well as limit the creativity and development of the ever increasing internet economy. As someone who works with the internet heavily, I understand the importance of finding a way to protect aspects of it, but I cannot possibly see after my research into the subject a way that this will help anyone other than big cable companies.

-Madison Shirley, Corvallis, OR

MY dream is to become a business owner (not virtual), And i recently took my first steps in achieving this by opening my own site! All the big name companies had the same chances of making it that i have now. Please don't take my chance away from me.

-Lauren Cordani, tampa, FL

Because I want to be an individual and a FREE citizen of the United States of America.

-A H. C., Worcester, MA

Cable and cell service providers have no business deciding what should be available and to whom on the Internet. Please do your job and maintain net neutrality. Thank you!

—Cameron Stokes, 1199 old Shiloh road, TN